

## **Iowa Department of Human Services**

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Laura Cook 827 Main St West Branch, IA 52358

Dear Laura Cook,

This letter is in regards to the 11/5/13 compliance check of your Level B, Registered Child Development Home. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of my visit:

110.5(1) Conditions in the home are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards.
110.5(1)a Numbers for each child's parent, physician, and a responsible person are accessible by the phone. In cell phone need to post too
110.5(1)b All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials are secured from access by a child.  Items on sink(bathroom), items in kitchen all around, paint cans, need child locks for cabinets
110.5(1)c First-Aid supplies are available and easily accessible in the home, outdoor play area, any vehicle used to transport children, and on field trips.  Car needs one
110.5(1)c The first-aid kit is sufficient to address first aid related to minor injury or trauma and stored in an area not accessible to children.  Need gloves and tweezers
110.5(1)h A safe outdoor play area is maintained in good condition throughout the year. Fire pit in play area
110.5(1)j Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits.  Need to post- add flood plan
110.5(1)j The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes in case of fire, a safe place indoors in case of tornado, and flood shelter areas.
110.5(1)k Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept.

110.5(1)n Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.  Need to resume
110.5(1)o Nonsmoking signs posted at every entrance of the home and in every vehicle used to transport children. Signs include telephone # for reporting complaints, and www.iowasmokefreeair.gov.  Needs signs
110.5(1)u The provider has written policies about caring for mildly ill children and the exclusion of children due to illness, and informs parents of policies. Has but need to locate
110.5(1)v The provider has written policies about responding to health-related emergencies. Has but need to locate
☐ 110.5(1)w Injury report forms are maintained for any injury requiring first aid or medical care. The forms are completed on the date of occurrence, shared with parents and copies are in the child's file.  Has but need to locate
110.5(2) A provider file is maintained and contains:
110.5(2)a A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status on the provider and all members of the household who may be present when children are in the home. Statements must be obtained at the time of initial registration and updated every two years.  Laura- physical and immunization status, Michael- immunization status
110.5(2)c An individual file is maintained for each staff assistant and contains:  KT does not list husband –Michael as sub/asst- Laura needs to get him approved with Des Moines
110.5(2)c A completed DHS Criminal History Record Check, form B, 595-1396
110.5(2)c A completed Request for Child Abuse Information, form 470-0643
110.5(2)c A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status at the time of employment and at least every two years thereafter.
110.5(2)c Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within 6 months of employment and repeated every 5 years.
110.5(2)d An individual file is maintained for each substitute and contains:
110.5(2)d A completed DHS Criminal History Record Check, form B, 595-1396.
110.5(2)d A completed Request for Child Abuse Information, form 470-0643

## Page 3 1110.5(2)d A physician's signed statement of health of at the time of employment and at least every two years thereafter. 1110.5(2)d Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within 6 months of employment and repeated every 5 years. 110.5(2)d Certification in infant and child first aid that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. If they are unable to locate first aid training that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, they must complete both a first aid course and CPR. 110.5(4) The certificate of registration is displayed in a conspicuous place. Just renewed does not have new certificate vet 110.5(8) Children's Files 110.5(8)e For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually. K.P, T.T, E.T, N.H 1110.5(8)g A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health. N.H 110.5(8) Injury report forms to document injuries requiring first aid or medical care. Sent form Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations by 1/2/14. Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home. This visit will occur on or after 1/2/14. Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 563-326-8215 if you have any questions regarding this letter. Sincerely,

Kathy Huinker Social Worker II

Always Remember:

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Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at 563-324-3236.

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you need to use only DHS approved training and only 12 hours can be by self-study. You can access the approved training by going to http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child\_Care/Professional\_Development.html and you can sign up for training at https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).